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One Who Has Risen

Mr. J. Worthington O'Keefe was, what is very frequently styled, a rising man; and he had unquestionably, many of the qualities which make for success in the ordinary pursuits of life. He was tactful, obliging in manner, industrious and reliable. Moreover, he took care to avail himself of every prospect of advancement which offered. His efforts were so successful that at the age of twenty-three he has risen already in the business community and, as a social star, had begun to peep over the horizon. This latter circumstance had led him to take some liberties with his patrimonial. By the addition to the respectable old name of O'Keefe, his manner had taken on a certain jaunty smartness impressive to youthful contemporaries, the cut of his clothing was in an extreme fashion, which would have been vastly surprising to the rustic folk amongst the Pennsylvania hills, where "Johnny" had tended cattle and done chores on his mother's farm.

For years he had run about there quite contentedly, though his feet had been bare, his trousers patched and his straw hat innocent of a brim. One hot mid-summer evening a crisis had come in his affairs by the arrival on the Pennsylvania Railroad of a prosperous uncle from New York.

That worthy, fortunately, for Johnny, had discovered that life in the great metropolis was all but unbearable when the fierce August heats were enveloping it as with a miasma. He had wearied of the strain of business, of the pavements streaming in the pitiless sun-glare, of the horde of restless humanity speeding hither and thither, as in a very maelstrom. So the man of commerce had bethought himself of a sister in humble circumstances whose uneventful lot had been cast in the shadow of the hills, down there where the Lehigh and the Delaware meet, where the factory chimneys gleam out in the night and the coal trains go rushing upon their way to mar the perfect repose of nature.

During his sojourn on the farm the uncle's keen eye singled out Johnny among numerous other brothers and sisters, beholding in him some of those qualities which had made for his own success. He clothed him in suitable garments, preparatory to taking him away on the fast express. Johnny, full of eager boyish excitement, bade farewell, carelessly enough to the hills and streams, to the homely surroundings and even to his brothers and sisters. But he choked with a hitherto unknown sensation at the sight of his mother's wistful face looking after him from the threshold of the house.

He strove to conceal this emotion from his uncle, lest it might annoy the hardheaded man of business. The latter appreciated the lad's self-control, but liked him the better for the sorrow which he clearly perceived.

This eventful journey had taken place a good many years previous to that time, when Mr. J. Worthington O'Keefe sat in an insurance office in Wall Street, leavily fingering a new chain, which he had just added to an expensive gold repeater. He surveyed his immaculate business suit with complacency, admired in a tiny mirror hanging upon an opposite wall the effect of a stunning tie, and was altogether highly delighted with present progress and future prospect of advancements. He had just been elected a member of the Catholic Club and one or two other clubs, which would add to his social prestige. It must be said to his credit, that, despite his boyish vanity and similar weakness, he was very faithful to the practice of his religion, remembering the good old mother's repeated admonitions.

So matters had jogged on smoothly enough, until a second crisis in his life presented itself once more in the shape of an elderly gentleman. This personage, was stout and baldheaded, pompous in manner and of an almost show a little common sense and aggressive respectability, was guided by the advice of experienced men.

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He began now to speak to him in a friendly and confidential fashion, his voice gradually sinking into a low and eager whisper. It was an affair of much importance upon which he conversed. Evidence would have to be given in a court of law touching an insurance case, and the pompous gentleman instructed O'Keefe as to the manner and substance of the testimony he would be called upon to abduce. He absorbed what he in his subject that he did not perceive the white and startled countenance with which the young man listened.

"You understand, eh?" he said at last, with a laugh and a chuckling laugh, which grated upon O'Keefe's nerves. "You understand, and you will save the company?"

"But," said O'Keefe, slowly, "the evidence that you propose to me to give would be nothing short of perjury."

The pompous president started. "Don't call things by ugly names," he cried, hastily; "I always employ euphemisms."

"Call it by what name you like, sir," remonstrated the young man, "but I cannot take a false oath for any cause whatever."

"Pooh, pooh! my dear dear boy," exclaimed the president beginning however, to look uneasy, "don't be so thin skinned. These things are done in business every day."

O'Keefe was silent, pondering. The president watched him keenly. His sharp eyes fell upon the gaudy tie, the expensive suit of clothes and the noticeable watch chain, and he smiled—a smile which was not pleasant to behold.

He argued, as men so often do, argue from externals, that the vanity and the weakness here displayed would make the youth before him incapable of a determined resistance to evil. So that his voice was most soothing and conciliatory as he proceeded.

"Testimony given in any other form than that suggested would be ruinous to the company, and, consequently, to yourself. It would, in any event, necessarily involve the forfeiture of your position and all these prospects of advancement which are being constantly opened out before you. You are young, of excellent habits, industrious and, quick to adapt yourself to circumstances. You have only to continue as you have begun and almost unlimited prosperity awaits you with the admiration of your fellow men and the certain respect which success alone can command."

The feelings with which Mr. J. Worthington O'Keefe listened to this harangue were of the most varied description. In the president's plain threat of dismissal he saw before him the ruin of a career which had so brilliant a commencement. No longer a discharged, incompetent. For he could not disclose to the public at large the reason of his dismissal, nor would his word be taken against that of commercial magnates, who would simply decline to assign any cause whatever for parting with a hitherto trusted employee.

Rochester a Clean City.

Blessed Sacrament Holy Name Society Have a Dinner

Chief of Police Jos. M. Quigley delivered an address before the Holy Name Society in Blessed Sacrament church, hall Wednesday night. Chief Quigley outlined briefly the methods that had been followed during the past four years by the Rochester Police Department to wipe out vices. He said that Rochester was without a doubt, the cleanest city in the world as a result of the work of the police.



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Chief Quigley opened his address with complimentary remarks about the society before which he spoke.

"I want you to understand that I am a policeman, not a moral teacher," said the chief. "I am not cleaning out vice in Rochester with the motives of a teacher. We have gone into the work of making Rochester a decent city without any hesitancy. We have no fears and will not grant favors. The welfare of the general public is our concern."

"I want the people of Rochester to see things as I do. In the past the police have given most of their attention to the capturing of criminals. We are paying attention to the things that turn young men and women into criminals. Study of the lives of criminals shows conclusively that most of the serious crimes rise from gambling and prostitution. All serious crimes can be traced to these vices."

"We have shown that police supervision of the various breeding places of crime lessons crime. Crime in Rochester has decreased 50 per cent. in the past four years. Assaults were 40 per cent. lower the past year than in 1908, while larceny was 67 per cent. lower. Arrests have been held below the normal, being 50 per cent. lower than in 1908."

Chief Quigley contended that prostitution was not due to low wages. He cited Ireland as an example, saying that lower wages were paid there than in any other country, yet the women are clean. The Chief said the public had countenanced the smaller evils so long that the larger evils were promoted without opposition.

The members of the Holy Name Society present numbered about 150. A dinner preceded the entertainment. Among those who helped to make the evening interesting were: Mrs. Weidert, George Geyer, Miss Casey and two brothers, Master Robert Klem, Masters Harold Dempsey and Geo. Fisher and Professor Pennica, a graduate of Naples University. Professor Pennica played two violin selections.

Weekly Church Calendar

S 11—Pentecost Sunday
M 12—SS. Nereus and Comp
T 13—St. John the Silent, Fast
W 14—St. Pachomius, Fast
Th. 15—St. John Baptist de la Salle, C.
F 16—St. Honoratus, Ember day
S 17—St. Paschal Baylon, Fast

Its 25th Anniversary

The twenty-fifth anniversary of Holy Family Branch, C. M. B. A., will be observed next Sunday and Monday. The branch was instituted in Holy Family parish on May 12, 1888, by District Deputy John P. Smith, assisted by Peter A. Vay and John R. Galen. Its present membership is about four hundred.

The committee in charge of the anniversary services announced that on Sunday the members will gather at the school and go to church for communion at the 7.30 o'clock mass. They will wear white gloves and no badges, as the committee has arranged for special badges.

Knights of Columbus

The last but not least of our parties will be a "Get-together" Party on May 14, 1913. Contrary to all of our other receptions this one will be strictly informal. It will be a Club affair and no charge will be made. Our membership has become so large that we take this way of bringing them together, so that they can become acquainted. If you can't dance come and enjoy pedro. A buffet luncheon will be served, when you feel like enjoying a bite. We want the biggest attendance that ever came into the room. No excuses for those that claim they are too old for such frivolities. We will have something for everyone. Put the date down in your book and join the "Get-together" at our May Party.

IN MEMORIAM

In the death of Frank J. Hughes, Mosa Caravan Order of the Alhambra, has suffered a severe and irreparable loss. Throughout the period of the installation of this Caravan in Rochester, Mr. Hughes gave lavishly of his time and his energy for the welfare of the order. In the work of building up this organization no task seemed to him too heavy, no duty too exacting. With cheerfulness, zeal and marked efficiency he labored for the best interests of the order.

But not alone as a society do we mourn his loss. The personal charm of his manner, his kindly thoughtfulness, genial and warm-hearted ways endeared him to each of us personally. His example shall live among us as the ideal of Christian knighthood.

To all his associates and comrades, and to his loved and bereaved family especially we extend our deepest sympathy and mourn with them in their hour of sorrow.

Dated, Rochester, N. Y., May 8th, 1913.

Thomas E. Garvey,
Dr. Philip Conboy,
John Barrett,
Edward Donnelly,
Don C. Manning,
Jos. P. MacSweeney

Catholic Charity Guild

A general meeting of the Catholic Charity Guild of Rochester was held Friday evening at 8 o'clock in Blessed Sacrament church hall in Monroe Ave. The main purpose of this meeting was to present a report of the first quarter's work of the several departments of the Guild, which, although organized but a short time, has been able to accomplish much for the improvement and relief of the spiritual and physical welfare of those who have received its ministrations.

St. Ann's Annual Donation

The annual donation day for St. Ann's Home for the Aged in Lake Avenue Boulevard will be held early in June. As in the past the event will be held in Convention Hall, and music, decorated booths and light luncheons will be features. It is expected by the committee this year's donation will surpass those of former years.

Personal

The E. O. W. Pedro club met at Mr. and Mrs. Garvey's of No. Union St., Wednesday evening. Prizes were won by Mrs. Garvey and A. J. Buchan. The club will have a May walk on May 18th.

News From Ireland

A boy named Richard Ross, aged 7, of 51 Dagmar street, Belfast, was knocked down by a motor car while crossing the Antrim road, opposite Lincoln avenue, on April 5, and succumbed to his injuries shortly afterwards.

The death has taken place of Frank Dolagdan, Catherine St., North Belfast, a well known Nationalist, formerly an active official of the National League Registration Association in the West division of that city.

James McGee, postmaster at Birches, Portadown, died on April 3.

On the feast of the Annunciation Miss Annie McGowan (in religion Sister Mary Ursula), daughter of the late John McGowan, esq., was received into the Order of the Sisters of Mercy Crumlin road, Belfast.

E. P. O'Kelly, auctioneer, put up for sale on March 29, a farm containing 70 acres, held with another portion of the land of Williamstown, containing 15 acres (the property of Miss Bourke). The purchaser was Wm. Fanning, Tullow, and the price £1,000.

The late Samuel Sanderson, Cloverhill, Belturbet, left personal estate valued at \$45,315.

A fire involving the loss of three lives, occurred in Limerick on Sunday, April 20, and one of the victims was Peter McDonnell, Cavan.

Ennis Guardians have granted a pension of £28 per year to Miss Della Cahill who recently resigned her position as night nurse in Ennis Union.

Very Rev. C. H. Condon, O. P., St. Mary, Cork, recently celebrated his golden jubilee in the priesthood.

The death has taken place at Ballymore, six miles from Middleton, of a farm laborer named Wm. Coughlan, at the age of 104.

The magistrates at Draperstown have elected Joseph McNicholl clerk of Petty Sessions in room of John McClean, resigned.

The Commissioners of National Education have appointed M. Doherty, principal at Keadus National school, Bartonport, as organizer of Irish Language instruction in National schools.

Gerald McCartan, eldest son of Daniel McCartan, solicitor, Newcastle, died on April 4 in the county infirmary, Downpatrick, from injuries sustained in a motor cycle accident near Castlewilliam on March 29.

John Reynolds, of 4 Robert St., canal boatman, whose barge was lying at Guinness' jetty was found drowned on March 30.

Miss Kathleen McArdle (in religion Sister Mary Magdalen), elder daughter of Surgeon J. S. McArdle, Merrion Square, Dublin, on April 2 made her profession at the Carmelite Convent Loughrea.

On April 3 at the Convent of Mercy Galway, the reception took place of Miss Anna Joyce (in religion Sister Mary Malachy), daughter of Thomas E. Joyce, Leitrim.

Patrick McLoughlin, who was evicted out of his farm 32 years ago, has been reinstated. Peter Harkin surrendered the farm.

At Dundalk Quarter Sessions recently, Judge Green was presented with white gloves, there being no criminal cases—quite a regular experience, his honor remarked.

The pastor and people of Holy Trinity parish, Wallingford, Conn., have undertaken the work of erecting a parochial school.

Catholic News Notes

Although all the parishes of the diocese of Milwaukee have not been heard from, the collection taken up by order of the bishop's Messengers for the sufferers on April 4, amounted to \$10,384.

The Catholic Club of Nashville, Tenn., a new organization, growing and has now about 50 members. It is infusing Catholic life in that city.

Oversize, Md., is to have a church. The pastor is organizing the parish. It was begun by Rev. John J. Knepper of St. Anthony's Church, Greenville, Md.

The Franciscan Sisters of Immaculate Conception, Falls, Minn., will erect a beautiful new hospital in Falls, Wis., to cost \$200,000.

The Catholic Union in Washington has received Charles E. Kenny as a member and a donation of \$20,000.

Construction contracts have been let by St. Ray, D. D., for the new houses and churches, including at Syracuse, N. Y., built of marble, concrete and steel. The style is to be Gothic.

In the next few months a number of parishes will celebrate their twenty-fifth anniversaries. The first to be celebrated is by the pastor of the Holy Trinity parish, who was ordained 25 years ago.

The secretary of the new house of the Sisters of the Holy Spirit, D. D., This house will be situated at the corner of the street and Mary Street, and will accommodate 100 nuns.

It is said the parish of St. Joseph, N. Y., is to be merged with the parish of St. Louis in North-west America.

Rev. Theodore C. Kline has been celebrating for some months in France at Bellmore, L. I., where that he will soon be the pastor of a new church.

A long-losing gambler, "the Annetation to the horse" at one time bankrupted King Louis Philippe, king of Sardinia, has been found in London.

In Austria at Oberwart, while the new pastor was being welcomed to his parish, a dynamite exploded killing four children and injuring others.

Emigration to Canada last year was phenomenal. There sailed there 345,000 emigrants: 120,000 from Great Britain and 125,000 from the United States.

Catholic Town

Five dollars down and 10 monthly buys a lot in exclusively Catholic town, Celona, in the hills of beautiful Southern Alabama. Lots \$75 and up. White homes—health resort—fine investment—excellent business opportunities. No interest, no taxes. Catholic Colony Deck and Fig Farms.

Series No. 1, consisting of 50 orchards, sold out. Series No. 2 comprises 500 combination five-acre duck and fig farms, adjoining Catholic town Celona; \$25 down and \$10 monthly. No expense, no criminal cases—quite a regular experience, his honor remarked. Splendid profit—sure income. Write today for references and full particulars. Lots or farms to Cash Cash Farms Co., Knights of Columbus Bldg., 100 St. Joseph street, St. Louis, Mo.